# Pacific Islander Advisory Council Meeting

**DATE:** August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2008 **TIME:** 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Government Center Council Chambers 2001 South State Street.

# **Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Facilitator:Bev UipiCouncil ChairMinutes:Kina ColemanAdmin. Assistant

# PRESENT:

Council Members: Clifford Chase, Keli Lobendahn, Ben Au,

OEA Staff: Director, Pacific Islander Affairs Fotu, Katoa, & Kina Coleman.

#### ABSENT/EXCUSED:

Edwinna Ah Yee, Bev Upi, Fisimeimu'a Moleni, Chris Pomaika'l, Gaui, Kaili Anapesi, Moleni Fisimeimu'a Tom Sitake.

- 1. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS: Director of Polynesian Affairs Fotu Katoa called meeting to order.
- 2. SIGN IN SHEET/ROLL CALL
  - The Sign in Sheet distributed by Kina Coleman.
  - Confirmation of ending term and continuous service on P.I.A. of present council members.
  - Confirmation of present Council members contact information completed.
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES "IF APPLICABLE"

None:

#### 4. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

#### **Governors Report Fotu Katoa:**

- Governor would like to see the P.I.A. Council to continue to grow and see action over the next year.
- Fotu Katoa reviewed agenda presented at the Governor's meeting on August
  - a) Education Community -Bev Upi & Fotu Katoa
  - b)Health -Health Fair
  - c)Economic Development-BizWorld Fot Katoa.
  - d)Criminal Justice Committee -Fotu Katoa.
  - e) Kina will send out the minutes from the Governors' meeting.
- Fotu is in the process of putting together a mentoring program and will provide additional information once.
- Fotu reported on his recent visit to the State Prison and reports the following:
  - a) The carceration rate from the Polynesian community seems to be on the incline.
  - b) A large number of Polynesian inmates were identified as gang members however, gang affiliation is questionable.

# 5. CHAIR'S/VICE CHAIR'S REPORT

#### **Old Business:**

- **Education Committee Update:** 
  - a) Two recent Med Graduates from the University of Utah.
  - b) Four new Medical students to enter the University of Utah this fall.
  - c) Dan Hola Scholarship checks are in the process of being distributed.
  - d) Dan Hola Scholarship final results: out of a total of forty nine recipients' only fifteen completed requirements to receive funds.
- OEA has issued a hold on allocating funds, Fotu is planning on doing fundraising for BizWorld to sponsor a program in St. George.

# 6. New Business:

- Criminal Justice Committee Update
  - a) Clifford is working on a volunteer committee and needs volunteers.
  - b) Members of the PIAC Ben Au and Keli Lobendahn volunteered as participants for the Criminal Justice Committee.
- Formulation of Committee will be as follows:
  - a) Law enforcement-Clifford
  - b)Courts-
  - c)Corrections-
- Pacific Islander Chamber of Commerce Update
  - a) Chamber Conference Fair on

**Date:** September 30<sup>th</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008

Location: Fort Douglas Officer's Club at the University of Utah

- 7. Community Reports: None
- 8. Announcements: None:
- **9. Next meeting:** Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2008.
- **10. Meeting Adjourned:** Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.